

Decision 16-10-018 October 13, 2016

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902E) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the South Orange County Reliability Enhancement Project.

Application 12-05-020
(Filed May 18, 2012)

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE

Summary

This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding to December 21, 2016.

Background

Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5(a) provides that ratesetting cases shall be resolved within 18 months of the date the scoping memo is issued, unless the Commission makes findings as to why that deadline cannot be met and issues an order extending that deadline.

A Scoping Memo issued in this proceeding on February 23, 2015, and the 18-month deadline for resolving this application was August 23, 2016. On August 18, 2016, the Commission issued Decision (D.) 16-08-023 which extended the statutory deadline to October 22, 2016. On September 29, 2016, a proposed decision (PD) and alternate proposed decision (APD) were issued for public review and comment. An order extending that statutory deadline is necessary in order to allow parties time to file comments and to give the Commission time to

review the comments, deliberate on the PD and APD, and to issue its final decision.

Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of proposed decisions extending the deadline for resolving quasi-legislative proceedings. Accordingly, pursuant to this rule, the otherwise applicable 30-day period for public review and comment is waived.

Assignment of Proceeding

Michael Picker is the assigned Commissioner and Darwin E. Farrar is the assigned ALJ in this proceeding.

Findings of Fact

1. The 18-month deadline for resolving this application is August 23, 2016.
2. On August 18, 2016, the Commission issued D.16-08-023 and extended the statutory deadline to October 22, 2016.
3. On September 29, 2016, a PD and APD were issued for public review and comment.
4. An extension of time until December 21, 2016, is necessary to allow parties to file comments and give the Commission time to review the comments, deliberate on the PD and APD, and to issue its final decision.

Conclusions of Law

1. The statutory deadline imposed by Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5(a) should be extended until December 21, 2016.

2. This order should be effective immediately.

IT IS ORDERED that the statutory deadline in this proceeding is extended until December 21, 2016.

This order is effective immediately.

Dated October 17, 2016, at Long Beach, California.

MICHAEL PICKER

President

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CATHERINE J.K. SANDOVAL

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Commissioners

Commissioner Carla J. Peterman, being
necessarily absent, did not participate.